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MEMORANDUM FOR Commanders, MEDCOM Installations

SUBJECT: Motorcycle Safety

- 1. The Chief of Staff of the Army conducted a Safety In-Process Review (IPR) on 25 September 2002. The in-depth discussion focused on the increase in fatal motorcycle accidents.
- 2. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2001, MEDCOM had no fatal motorcycle accidents. However, similar to other Army Commands, MEDCOM has experienced a significant increase in motorcycle fatalities this fiscal year. For FY 2002, MEDCOM has had three motorcycle accidents, resulting in two deaths and one permanent disability.
- 3. Successful completion of an approved motorcycle safety-training course is a long-standing requirement (DODI 6055.4, AR 385-55 and AR 190-5, applicable sections enclosed) for registration of motorcycles on an Army installation. However, the practice of issuing temporary registration stickers to motorcycle riders who have not successfully completed the required motorcycle safety training is occurring. Per verbal order of the Chief of Staff of the Army at the Safety IPR, this practice is to cease immediately.
- 4. Temporary registrations that have previously been issued to motorcycle owners who have not successfully completed an approved motorcycle safety-training course will be immediately revoked. A one-day temporary permit will be issued to allow entrance to the installation to attend required motorcycle safety training.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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